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Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following two Groups of inventions:

- I. Group I, Claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7-25, drawn to a system comprising the special technical feature of a flat top surface bonded to the bottom of a first rigid support, and
- II. Group II, Claims 3 and 6, drawn to a system comprising the special technical feature of part of the pores masked by filling the pores with a masking polymer.

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I, i.e., Claims 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7-25, drawn to a system comprising the special technical feature of a flat top surface bonded to the bottom of a first rigid support.

Declaration

Applicants attach as **Exhibit 1** a Declaration (3 pages) for the subject application, identifying the application by international application number and international filing date.

Power of Attorney

Applicant attaches as **Exhibit 2** Powers of Attorney (3 pages) for the subject application.

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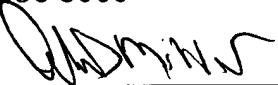
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No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the submission of this Communication. However, if any fee is required to maintain the pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to withdraw the amount of any such fee from Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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